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Town Warrant.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Wilton, in the County of Hillsborough, in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wilton, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1st—To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2nd—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3rd—To hear the reports of the selectmen, treasurer and other town officers and pass any vote relative thereto.

4th—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate together with the free use of the town hall on Memorial Day and evening for the observance of Memorial Day, 1897.

5th—To see if the town will vote to put in three electric lights on Kennedy Hill, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

6th—To see if the town will vote to put in one electric light near M. J. Herlihy's and raise and appropriate money for the same.

7th—To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from the N. D. Foster place to the old school house owned by Joel Perham and raise and appropriate money for the same.

8th—To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from

C. H. Burns to a point near Geo. E. Hartwell's, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

9th—To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from James L. Hardy's to a point near the S. E. Foster house and raise and appropriate money for the same.

10th—To see if the town will vote to rebuild the wall between S. B. Center's stable and Bates & Putnam's shop and raise and appropriate money for the same.

11th—To see if the town will vote to purchase a snow roller and raise and appropriate money for the same.

12th—To see if the town will grant the free use of the town hall to the W. C. T. U for three public temperance meetings.

13th—To see if the town will grant the free use of the town hall one evening to the high school graduating class.

14th—To see if the town will vote to rigorously enforce the liquor law.

15th—To see what action the town will take in regard to changing the water course on Kennedy Hill or take any other vote relative thereto.

16th—To see if the town will vote to purchase a road machine and raise and appropriate money for the same.

17th—To see if the town will vote to assist Wm H. Hopkins to prevent the water from injuring his buildings and flooding his premises.

18th—To see if the town will vote to accept the first story of the new Masonic building for the use of the public library, in accordance with a proposition of the Hon D. A. Gregg to furnish the same in a manner suitable for that purpose, or consider any other proposition or act thereon.

19th—To see what action the town will take regarding building resevoirs for fire purposes, one near Mrs. John Sullivan's and one for the protection of the new school building, or act thereon.

20th—To see what sum of money the town will raise and ap-

properite for the repair of the sidewalk from M. P. Stanton's store to Milford line or act thereon.

21st—To see if the town will vote to lay a cement pipe of suitable dimensions to take the water and sewerage, commencing at a point near Mrs. Abiel Livermore's house, going east to Prince street, thence down said street to the brook near John McKay's house, and make appropriation for the same.

22nd—To see what action the town will take relative to building sidewalks, requiring abutters to bear a certain part of the expense.

23rd—To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

STARR B. CENTER,
GEO. M. HARTSHORN, } Selectmen
GEO. G. TOLFORD, } of
Wilton.

INVENTORY.

Inventory of the real and personal property assessed on the first day of April, 1896.

	VALUE.
No. of Polls, 430,	\$43,000 00
Horses, 376,	21,860 00
Asses, 1,	20 00
Oxen, 12,	695 00
Cows, 567,	13,936 00
Neat, 19,	381 00
Sheep, 174,	423 00
Fowls, 719,	287 00
Hogs, 86,	908 00
Carriages, 40,	2,760 00
Stock out of the state,	155 00
in the state,	6,800 00
Public Funds,	1,300 00
Money on hand,	48,541 00
Stock in trade,	61,425 00
Mills and Machinery,	51,200 00
Improved and unimproved lands and buildings,	<u>690,320 00</u>
	\$944,011 00

Tax rate \$1.60 on \$100.00.

Selectmen's Report.

Appropriations.

The following estimates have been made for appropriations necessary to meet the expenses for the ensuing year.

For schools, not including literary fund,	\$4,500 00
support of poor,	200 00
fire department,	500 00
public library,	300 00
town officers,	500 00
highways and bridges,	2,500 00
sidewalks and repairs,	300 00
state tax,	2,800 00
county tax,	2,800 00
payment of notes and int. coming due,	4,500 00
dependent soldiers and their families,	100 00
street lighting,	500 00
printing and stationery,	100 00
Memorial Day observance,	50 00
miscellaneous expenses,	200 00
new streets,	100 00
railing,	200 00
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	\$20,150 00

Tax Collector's Account.

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To amount committed to collector,	\$15,104 19
interest collected,	16 92
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	\$15,121 11

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By remittances to Treasurer,	\$14,905 00
Uncollec.ed,	216 11
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	\$15,121 11

Town Expenditures.

Town Officers.

Paid Starr B. Center, selectman,	\$75 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, selectman,	50 00
Geo. G. Tolford, selectman,	50 00
R. M. Moore, treasurer,	50 00
W. E. Foster, clerk,	50 00
E. A. French, supervisor,	12 00
James C. Hurley, "	12 00
Charles E. Frye, "	12 00
Mrs. I. N. Hutchinson, act.	
I. N. Hutchinson, police,	10 75
Thomas Cooley, "	21 00
A. O. Barker, overseer of poor and cash paid out,	23 15
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	90 00
A. A. Ramsey, services on board health 1895-6,	10 00
W. H. Gray, services ballot inspector,	2 50
H. C. Shaw, " 1892-4,	5 00
Michael Kenedy, police,	3 12
	—————
	\$476 52

Wilton Public Library.

Paid Geo. Whiting, treasurer,	\$300 00
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	\$300. 00

Town Hall.

Paid S. B. Center, silverware	\$11 02
Geo. E. Bales, insurance,	60 00
W. E. Foster, supplies and labor,	23 87
A. A. Ramsey, insurance,	60 00
I. N. Hutchinson, janitor, and cash paid out,	99 47
D. Whiting & Sons, supplies,	138 25
A. H. Smith, repair to clock,	2 50
Mrs. I. N. Hutchinson, janitor and cash paid out,	41 81
Fred W. Clark, crockery,	7 70
E. S. Hutchinson, janitor, and cash paid out,	43 18
	—————
	\$487 80

Lighting Streets.

Paid Milford Electric Light Co ,	\$470 00
Myron J. Hutchinson, care of lamps,	1 50
Chas. A. Gove, lighting lamps,	5 50
Fred W. Clark, supplies,	12 54
W. E. Foster, repairs,	70
D. E. Proctor, supplies,	2 11
M. E. Kenedy, lighting lamp,	3 00
	—————
	\$495 35

Returning Marriages, Births and Deaths.

Paid Geo. W. Hatch, M. D.,	\$8 25
C. E. Higgins, M. D.,	5 25
C. L. P. Massicotte, M. D.,	3 00
W. E. Foster, recording marriages, births and deaths,	12 75
W. E. Foster, cash paid returning births and deaths,	1 00
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	\$30 25

Fire Department.

Paid John R. Hickey, repair to engine beam,	\$33 18
American Fire Engine Co., suction hose,	19 58
Fire Extinguishers,	54 00
John Gage, watching fire and leather for engine,	9 75
D. Whiting & Sons, supplies,	1 10
A. A. Ramsey, insurance,	7 50
Geo. G. Tolford, express,	1 00
John R. Hickey, pay roll of Engine Co.,	249 55
John M. Brennan, steward,	25 00
W. E. Foster, repairs to stove,	2 00
M. P. Stanton, suppiles,	11 81
D. E. Proctor, “	1 85
D. W. Russell, watching forest fires,	6 00
	—————
	\$422 32

Printing and Stationary.

Paid E. B. Center, printing town reports and notes,	\$57 86
A. H. Smith, printing,	2 00
Edson C. Eastman, books,	3 90
E. B. Center, printing notices,	2 50
R. M. Moore, stationary,	3 40
W. E. Foster, stationary,	1 53
Edson C. Eastman, order book,	1 34
Starr B. Center, stationary, etc.,	2 98
	—————
	\$75 51

Watering Troughs.

Paid H. N. Gray,	\$3 00
Levi Putnam,	3 00
James E. Gray,	3 00

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Paid C. C. Spaulding,	\$3 00
Fred L. Frazer,	3 00
Theo. Barker,	3 00
A. O. Barker,	3 00
Mrs. Boynton,	3 00
C. E. Robbins,	3 00
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	\$27 00

Support of Poor.

Paid E. A. French, goods delivered to John McCarty,	\$78 00
A. C. Young, goods for John McCarty,	4 69
E. A. French, goods delivered to Ed. Eaton,	78 00
M. P. Stanton, food for tramps,	1 00
D. E. Proctor, food for tramps,	53
State Insane Asylum, board Mrs. Duvall,	34 97
W. H. W. Hinds, M. D., examination mental condition Mrs. Duvall,	3 00
D. S. Dearborn, M. D., examination mental condition Mrs. Duvall,	3 00
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	\$203 19

Memorial Day.

Paid John Gage,	\$50 00
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	\$50 00

Dependent Soldiers.

Paid A. J. Carkin,	\$72 00
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	\$72 00

Support Schools.

Paid Martha Putnam, treasurer,	\$625 00
D. E. Proctor, "	4,106 00
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	\$4,731 00

Cemeteries.

Paid W. H. Barnes, care of cemeteries,	\$24 75
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	\$24 75

Miscellaneous.

Paid Thomas D. Luce search and copy	
laying out county road,	\$1 25
Thomas Cooley, police tools,	7 67
John H. Abbot, surveying Maple St.,	11 00
A. P. Bingham, painting guide boards,	26 30
D. Whiting & Sons, supplies for lobby,	1 25
D. Whiting & Sons, guide boards,	2 95
Nathan Cragin, making guide boards,	3 20
John H. Barry, town corner stone,	2 50
D. Whiting & Sons, supplies for lobby,	2 50
Geo. G. Tolford, expense to Concord,	2 97
Geo. G. Tolford, bounty on 16 hawks,	6 50
Thomas Cooley, setting glass,	25
D. E. Proctor, glass,	15
Geo. E. Bales, counsel fees,	25 00
Wilton Savings Bank, rent lobby to	
March 1st, 1897,	15 00
Bales & Putnam, repair to hearse pole,	75
Starr B. Center, preambulating lines,	9 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, preambulating lines,	6 00
George G. Tolford, preambulating lines,	2 00
Starr B. Center, services and cash paid	
Massicotte case,	21 42
	—————
	\$147 66

Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks.

Balance of account of Henry J. Russell.

Balance Expense of Highways in February 1896.

Paid Henry J. Russell, 4 days at	\$2 00	\$8 00
" team 8 days, 5 hours at	2 00	17 00
John Brien, team 4 days, 5 hours at	1 50	6 75
Frank Burbee, team 4 days, 5 hours at	1 50	6 75
Charles Welter, team 1 day, 5 hours at	1 50	2 25
John Merrill, team 1 day, 5 hours at	2 00	3 00

		\$43 75

Expense in March 1896.

Paid Henry J. Russell, 1 day,	\$2 00	\$2 00
" team 7 days,	2 00	14 00
John Brien, 5 days, 5 hours,	1 50	8 25
Frank Burbee, 5 days, 2 hours,	1 50	7 80
Dustin Draper, 1 day, 9 hours,	1 50	2 85
" team 1 day, 4 hours,	2 00	2 80
John Merrill, 1 day,		1 50
" team 1 day, 4 hours,	2 00	2 80
John Maguire, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
Frank McManus, 1 day,		1 50
Patsy Young, 3 days, 7 hours,	1 50	5 55
John Whalen, 9 hours,	1 50	1 35
A. W. Steel, 1 day, 1-2 hours,	1 50	1 57
" 8 hours,	1 50	80
I. N. Hutchinson, 8 hours,	1 50	1 20
L. W. Perham, 1 day, 4 hours,	1 50	2 10
Bales & Putnam bill,		4 85

Paid Harvey W. Frye, 3 days, 1-4 hours,	\$1 50	\$4 53
" team 3 hours,	2 00	60
W. H. Smiley, 1 day,		1 50
" team, 3 hours,	2 00	60
William Ash, 6 days, 7 1-2 hours,	1 50	10 12
John A. Sheldon bill,		1 50
A. J. Rideout, 2 days, 1 1-2 hours,	1 50	3 22
" team, 2 1-2 hours,	2 00	50
Henry Kecy for Mr. Dunbar, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
H. N. Gray, 5 hours,	1 50	75
Geo. M. Batchelder, 5 hours,	1 50	75
" man, 2 hours,	1 25	25
" team, 5 hours,	2 00	1 00
William Barry, 5 days, 3 2-3 hours,	1 50	8 05
" team, 6 hours,	2 00	1 20
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		\$101 49
E. C. Buss bill breaking roads,		\$2 10
John Baldwin bill breaking roads,		14 77
W. H. Wilson bill iron fence,		170 64
Geo. Badge bill breaking roads,		12 25
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		\$199 76
Total paid Henry J. Russell,		\$345 00

Charles W. Edwards, Highway Account, March 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 7 days, 1 hour,	\$2 00	\$14 20
" team 5 days, 3 hours,	2 00	10 60
Elmer Burton, 1 day, 6 1-2 hours,	1 50	2 48
Ed. Lane, 6 hours,	1 50	90
J. Gregwire, 5 hours,	1 50	75
" 2nd, 5 hours,	1 50	75
J. English, 1 day,		1 50
Jerry Shea, 6 1-2 hours,	1 50	97
T. Killkelly, 6 1-2 hours,	1 50	97
Ed. Kidder, 4 hours,	1 50	60
Levi Putnam bill,		8 00

Paid Frank Gay, 1 day,	\$1 50
A. W. Steele bill,	4 12
J. A. Sheldon, bill,	7 43
James Sheldon, bill,	3 60
S. J. Sheldon, bill,	5 90
Dustin Draper, plowing walks, ,	1 93
A. J. Rideout bill,	5 65
P. O. Follansbee bill,	1 50

	\$73 35

Expense in April 1896

Paid C. W. Edwards, stone work, 3 days,	\$2 50	\$7 50
" 11 days, 2 1-2 hrs ,	2 00	22 50
" team, 21 days,	2 00	42 00
Andrew Tighe, 5 days,	1 50	7 50
" team, 5 days,	2 00	10 00
James Kennedy, 5 days,	1 50	7 50
" team, 5 days,	2 00	10 00
Dustin Draper, 1 day, 5 hours,	1 50	2 25
" team, 1 day, 5 hours, 2 00	2 00	3 00
Frank Gay, 15 days, 5 hours,	1 50	23 25
Ed. Fitzgerald, 15 days,	1 50	22 50
A. Blanchard, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
Jerry Shea, 17 days,	1 50	25 50
T. Killkelly, 19 days, 5 hours,	1 50	29 25
Gregwire, 3 days, 5 hours,	1 50	5 25
Lewis Defoe, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
John Vayo, 1 day, 7 hours,	1 50	2 55
P. Diselets, 4 days 5 hours,	1 50	6 75
Joe Paro, Jr., 4 days,	1 50	6 00
C. H. Goss bill,		3 57
A. Rowe, 10 days, 7 1-2 hours,	1 50	16 12
M. Foley, 11 days,	1 50	16 50

Paid J. McCarty, 7 days,	\$1 50	\$10 50
Fred Willet, 3 days,	1 50	4 50
F. J. Holt bill,		2 28
Chas Sawtelle, 1 day, 2 1-2 hours,	1 50	1 87
A. W. Nutting,		70
G. C. Palmer,		78
A. D. Abbot,		90
J. H. Hutchinson, 1 day, 1 hour,	1 50	1 65
F. W. Clark bill,		5 94
D. E. Proctor bill,		9 56
Bales & Putnam, bill,		9 14
E. M. Purdy, bill,		6 75
C. F. Carlton, bill.		3 38
Horace Wilson, bill,		2 17

WITH ROAD MACHINE.

C. W. Edwards, 2 days,	\$2 50	\$5 00
" team, 2 days,	2 50	5 00
Andrew Tighe, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
" team, 2 days,	2 50	5 00
James Kennedy, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
" team 2 days,	2 50	5 00

\$361 61

Expense in May 1896.

WITH ROAD MACHINE.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 15 days,	\$2 50	\$37 50
" man and team, 15 days,	4 00	60 00
Andrew Tighe and team, 15 days,	4 00	60 00
James Kennedy and team, 11 days,	4 00	44 00

WITHOUT ROAD MACHINE.

C. W. Edwards, 7 days,	2 00	14 00
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Paid C. W. Edwards, man and team, 11 days,	\$3 50	\$38 50
Andrew Tighe and team, 8 days,	3 50	28 00
James Kennedy and team 9 days, 5 hours,	3 50	33 25
Dustin Draper and team, 4 days,	3 50	14 00
C. W. Edwards, stone work, 3 days,	2 50	7 50
Frank Gay, 22 days, 5 hours,	1 50	33 75
Jerry Shea, 21 days, 7 hours,	1 50	32 55
T. Killkelley, 23 days, 7 hours,	1 50	35 55
M. Foley, 9 days, 5 hours,	1 50	14 25
P. Desletes, 6 days,	1 50	9 00
P. McCarty, 6 days,	1 50	9 00
M. Shea, 6 days, 5 hours,	1 50	9 75
A. Rowe, 4 days,	1 50	6 00
J. Paro, Jr., 13 days,	1 50	19 50
S. Liberty, 11 days,	1 25	13 75
Fred Willet, 7 days,	1 25	8 75
John Hadlock, repairs on road machine,		8 50
J. A. Sheldon, bill,		11 00
James Sheldon, "		1 45
A. J. Rideout, "		15 00
E. C. Buss, "		1 50
L. W. Perham, "		3 00
J. A. Sheldon, "		11 00
F. W. Clark, "		3 18

		\$583 23

Expense in June 1896.

WITH ROAD MACHINE.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 6 days, 5 hours,	\$2 50	\$16 25
" man and team, 6 dys., 5 hrs., 4 00		26 00
Andrew Tighe and team, 6 days, 5 hours,	4 00	26 00
James Kennedy and team, 4 days,	4 00	16 00

WITHOUT ROAD MACHINE.

Paid C. W. Edwards, stone work, 5 days,	\$2 50	\$12 50
" 11 days, 5 hours,	2 00	23 00
Frank Gay, 23 days,	1 50	34 50
Jerry Shea, 21 days,	1 50	31 50
T. Killkelley, 4 days 5 hours,	1 50	6 75
J. Paro, Jr., 21 days,	1 50	31 50
M. Shea, 1 day,		1 50
Gonier, 4 days, 5 hours,	1 50	6 75
Dustin Draper and team, 1 day, 2 hours,	3 50	4 20
P. McCarty, 3 days, 5 hours,	1 50	5 25
John Maguire, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
Chas. Welter, 2 days, 5 hours,	1 50	3 75
Chas. McCarty, 2 days, 5 hours,	1 50	3 75
Frenchman, 3 days, 5 hours,	1 50	5 75
C. W. Edwards use derrick,		2 00
Henry Russell, pole for road machine,		50
C. B. Smith, bill,		90
A. J. Rideout, bill,		22 00
C. P. Edwards, bill drawing plank,		11 35
S. H. Abbot, " "		4 97
Concord Foundry Co.,		11 02
F. W. Clark, bill,		1 60
D. E. Proctor, "		55 05
F. J. Holt, "		34 40
D. Summer, "		3 95

		\$405 19
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By cash from Dr. F. M. Pevey, on account		
of drain,		25 00

		\$380 19

Expense in July 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 8 days, 2 1-2 hours,	\$2 00	\$16 50
" man and team, 18 days	3 50	63 00
" stone work, 11 days, 5 hours, 2 50	28 75	
Jerry Shea, 16 days,	1 50	24 00
James Shea, 14 days, 2 1-2 hours,	1 50	21 37
Frank Gay, 9 days, 5 hours,	1 50	14 25
Marcy, 7 days, 5 hours,	1 50	11 25
Ed. Ayers, 6 days 5 hours,	1 50	9 75
C. Doucet, 3 days,	1 50	4 50
A. Blanchard, 4 days,	1 50	6 00
C. W. Edwards, use derrick,		7 00
Andrew Tighe and team, 1 day,		3 50
J. A. Sheldon, bill,		2 09
C. P. Edwards " "		2 50
W. H. Heald, "		1 00
Wm. Tarbell, "		30
R. J. Frye, "		75
H. H. Livermore, bill bridge plank,		24 95
Bales & Putnam, bill,		10 52
D. E. Proctor, "		14 80

		\$266 69

Expense in August 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 6 days,	2 00	12 00
" stone work, 7 days,	2 50	17 50
" man and team, 19 dys., 5hrs., 3 50	68 25	
Frank Gay, 19 days, 5 hours,	1 50	29 25
Jerry Shea, 15 days,	1 50	22 50
James Shea, 13 days,	1 50	19 50
C. W. Edwards, 6 days use derrick,	1 00	6 00
C. Doucet, 3 days,	1 50	4 50

Paid Ed. Ayers, 6 days,	\$1 50	\$9 00
Marcy, 6 days,	1 50	9 00
Frank Nickerson and team, 2 days, 5 hours,	3 50	8 75
Joe Paro, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
J. A. Sheldon, bill,		3 75
M. Shea, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
F. Burbee, 1 day,		1 50
J. Grafton, concreting, for bridge plank,		20 40
		118 89
D. Whiting & Sons, bill,		8 73
Jerry Harrington, 1 day,		1 50
A. J. Rideout, bill,		7 40
Josiah H. Burton, bill,		6 30
Mrs. C. A. Whitney for gravel bank,		10 00

		\$390 72

Expense in September 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards stone work, 5 days,	\$2 50	\$12 50
" "	2 00	10 00
" man and team, 10 days,	3 50	35 00
Frank Gay, 9 days,	1 50	13 50
Jerry Shea, 8 days, 5 hours,	1 50	12 75
James Shea, 8 days,	1 50	12 00
P. McCarty, 2 days, 5 hours,	1 50	3 75
C. W. Edwards, 5 days use derrick,	1 00	5 00
David Potter, bill,		3 00
D. E. Proctor, "		50 23
N. Cragin, "		3 00
F. Nickerson, "		2 25
Express on grates,		95
Concord Foundry Co., for grates,		5 00

		\$168 93

Expense in October 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 5 days, 5 hours,	\$2 00	\$11 00
" man and team, 4 days,	3 50	14 00
Frank Gay, 3 days,	1 50	4 50
James Shea, 3 days,	1 50	4 50
Jerry Shea, 3 days,	1 50	4 50
James Kennedy and team, 3 days,	3 50	10 50
Elijah Putnam, 3 days, 8 hours,	2 50	9 50
Ed. Ayers, 4 days,	1 50	6 00
E. G. May, bill,		5 26
James Sheldon, bill,		1 00
James Chute, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
W. H. Smiley, bill,		2 20
Wm. Ash, "		2 85
Bales & Putnam, "		8 80
Chas. Hesselton, "		17 00
D. Whiting & Sons, "		18 56
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		\$123 17

Expense in November 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 8 days,	\$2 00	\$16 00
" man and team, 11 days,	3 50	38 50
Frank Gay, 8 days, 5 hours,	1 50	12 75
F. Gregwire, 2 days, 5 hours.	1 50	3 75
T. Gregwire, 5 days, 5 hours,	1 50	8 25
Frenchman, 6 days,	1 50	9 00
Ed. Fitzgerald, 8 days, 5 hours,	1 50	12 75
James Shea, 6 days, 5 hours,	1 50	9 75
Jerry Shea, 3 days,	1 50	4 50
C. W. Edwards, use derrick,		1 50
F. W. Clark, bill,		9 64
John Gage, "		5 40

Paid Concord Foundry Co., express,		\$3 25
A. J. Rideout, bill,		8 25
John A. Sheldon, bill,		6 30
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		\$149 59

Expense in December 1896.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 2 days, 5 hours,	\$2 00	\$5 00
" man and team, 5 days,	3 50	17 50
Frank Gay, 2 days, 3 hours,	1 50	3 45
Jerry Shea, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
T. Gregwire, 1 day,		1 50
Joe Gookey, 1 day,		1 50
Horace Wilson, bill,		8 68
D. E. Proctor, "		11 33
J. A. Sheldon, "		3 00
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		\$54 96

Expense in January 1897.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 3 days, 2 hours,	\$2 00	\$6 40
" team 5 days, 8 hours,	2 00	11 60
C. P. Edwards, 2 days, 8 hours,	1 50	4 20
Frank Gay, 2 days,	1 50	3 00
A. W. Steele, bill,		2 96
H. L. Emerson, "		2 50
J. E. Gray, "		1 25
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		\$31 91

Expense in February, 1897.

Paid C. W. Edwards, 2 days, 7 hours,	\$2 00	\$5 40
" team, 2 days,	2 00	4 00

Paid C. P. Edwards, 2 days, 5 hours,	\$1 50	\$3 75
Frank Gay, 8 hours,	1 50	1 20
J. A. Sheldon, bill,		13 55
Willis Herrick, "		1 50
A. W. Steele, "		1 69
Ai O. Peabody, "		30
J. H. Hutchinson, "		91
James Sheldon, "	7 79	

		\$40 09
Cr. by error in May bill,	\$11 00	

L. W. Perham, bill,	\$29 09	
	4 65	

		\$33 74

Total paid Chas. W. Edwards, \$2,613 44.

Recapitulation.

Paid town officers,	\$476 52
public library,	300 00
town house expenses,	487 80
street lights,	495 35
return of births, deaths, and marriages,	30 25
fire department,	422 32
books and stationery,	75 51
watering troughs,	27 00
support of poor,	203 19
Memorial Day observance,	50 00
aid to dependent soldiers and families,	72 00
support of schools,	4,731 00
cemeteries,	24 75
miscellaneous expenses,	147 66
highways, including all departments under road commissioner,	2,963 09
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	\$10,506 44

The selectmen have served notice, agreeably to vote of town, upon all persons who have covered the Hopkins Brook to remove all obstructions if any interfere with the free passage of the water or be held responsible by the town for damages resulting therefrom.

We would also call your attention to money paid out on account of Mrs. Amanda Duvall, which amount will be paid back to the town upon the sale of the Duvall property. The town also hold a Wilton Savings Bank book made over to them by

John McCarty, the face value of which has paid his support until about Dec. 10, 1896.

Respectfully submitted,

STARR B. CENTER,
GEO. M. HARTSHORN,
GEO. G. TOLFORD, } Selectmen
of
Wilton.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

A. A. RAMSEY,
GEO. G. BLANCHARD, } Auditors.

Treasurer's Report.

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Cash in treasury Feb. 15th, 1896,	\$1,573 27
Rec'd act. John McCarthy's bank book,	143 45
from Cordelia Sheldon, 5-20 note No. 1,	500 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 2,	500 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 3,	1,000 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 4,	100 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 5,	100 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 6,	100 00
Albert Beard, 5-20 note No. 7,	500 00
Albert Beard, 5-20 note No. 8,	1,000 00
H. Annabelle Proctor, 5-20 note No. 9,	500 00
Henry Proctor, 5-20 note No. 10,	500 00
Henry Proctor, 5-20 note No. 11,	100 00
Henry Proctor, 5-20 note No. 12,	100 00
Helen P. Ramsey, 5-20 note No. 13,	1,000 00
Helen P. Ramsey, 5-20 note No. 14,	1,000 00
Clara H. Blood, 5-20 note No. 15,	500 00
Clara H. Blood, 5-20 note No. 16,	500 00
Stanley H. Abbot, 5-20 note No. 17,	100 00
Stanley H. Abbot, 5-20 note No. 18,	100 00
Stanley H. Abbot, 5-20 note No. 19,	100 00
Marcella Hatch, 5-20 note No. 20,	500 00
Marcella Hatch, 5-20 note No. 21,	500 00
A. Josephine Smith, 5-20 note No. 22,	100 00
A. Josephine Smith, 5-20 note No. 23,	100 00

Rec'd from A. Josephine Smith, 5-20 note No. 24,	\$500 00
Lenora A. Smith, 5-20 note No. 25,	100 00
Lenora A. Smith, 5-20 note No 26,	100 00
Lenora A. Smith, 5-20 note No. 27,	100 00
Lenora A. Smith, 5-20 note No. 28,	500 00
Martha E. Livermore, 5-20 note No. 29,	100 00
M. A. Butler, 5-20 note No. 30,	500 00
Warren Jones, 5-20 note No. 31,	500 00
Warren Jones, 5-20 note No. 32,	500 00
Cordelia Sheldon, 5-20 note No. 33,	100 00
Cordelia Sheldon, 5-20 note No. 34,	100 00
Rose M. Center, 5-20 note No. 35,	100 00
I. N. Hutchinson, rent of town hall,	50 00
Geo. E. Bales, 5-20 note No. 36,	100 00
Geo. E. Bales, 5-20 note No. 37,	100 00
Geo. E. Bales, 5-20 note No. 38,	100 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 39,	100 00
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 note No. 40,	100 00
W. E. Foster, town clerk, (dog tax)	113 00
H. K. Libby, 5-20 note No. 41,	500 00
Samuel J. Sheldon, 5-20 note No. 42,	500 00
Samuel J. Sheldon, 5-20 note No. 43,	500 00
D. E. Proctor, act. sale old school building,	500 00
Security Trust Co, interest,	5 45
Starr B. Center, sale of old pump,	2 50
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1,000 00
C. W. Edwards, act. street cleaning	5 00
I. N. Hutchinson, rents town house,	50 00
W. E. Foster, town clerk,	100 26
W. E. Foster, license fees,	12 00
W. E. Foster, license fees,	9 50
Rose M. Center, 5-20 note No. 44,	100 00
F. W. Clark, 5-20 note No 45,	500 00
Hattie L. Clark, 5-20 note No. 46,	500 00

Rec'd from Geo. E. Bales, collector,	\$500 00
D. E. Proctor, treas., sale of school building	600 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 47,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 48,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 49,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 50,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 51,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 52,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 53,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 54,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 55,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 56,	100 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 57,	500 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 58,	500 00
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 note No. 59,	500 00
Emma F. Tarbell, discount on notes No's.	
52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59,	5 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1000 00
S. A. Bonson, license fee,	2 00
Abraham Davis, license fee,	2 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	500 00
D. E. Proctor, treasurer, balance sale	
school house,	26 64
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1,500 00
F. W. Clark, temporary note No. 1,	300 00
Starr B. Center, temporary note No. 2,	500 00
Emma F. Tarbell, temporary note No. 3,	500 00
Frank W. Lovejoy, temporary note No. 4,	300 00
Ida B. Carter, temporary note No. 5,	300 00
Kate Cooley, temporary note No. 6,	300 00
Albert Beard, 5-20 note No. 60,	100 00
Albert Beard, 5-20 note No. 61,	100 00
Albert Beard, discount on notes No's.	
60 and 61,	1 00

Rec'd from Sophia T. Sargent, temporary note No. 7,	\$400 00
Charles A. Bales, tempoarynote No, 8,	500 00
I. N. Hutchinson, rent town hall,	119 66
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	500 00
W. E. Foster, clerk, act. Kickapoo	
Indians,	7 00
W. E. Foster, clerk, act. Banana peddler,	1 00
A. Brozopky, act. pedler's license,	2 00
County Commissioners act. liquor fines,	35 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1,200 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	500 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1,000 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1,000 00
Mrs. E. L. Hutchinson, rents on town hall,	85 66
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1,300 00
Solan A. Carter, income tax,	20 25
Solan A. Carter, railroad tax,	1,461 74
Solan A. Carter, Savings Bank tax,	2,651 39
Solan A. Carter, literary fund,	231 00
C. C. Spaulding, 5-20 note No. 62,	100 00
C. C. Spaulding, 5-20 note No. 63,	100 00
C. C. Spaulding, 5-20 note No. 64,	500 00
I. B. Curtis, 5-20 note No. 65,	100 00
I. B. Curtis, 5-20 note No. 66,	100 00
I. B. Curtis, 5-20 note No. 67,	100 00
State treasurer, bounty on hawks,	6 50
S. B. Center, sale old flues,	27
Mrs. E. L. Hutchinson, rent town hall	40 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	3,000 00
S. B. Center, sale old pipe,	05
W. E. Foster, dog license,	4 58
W. E. Foster, pool table license,	8 00
W. E. Foster, peddlers license,	3 00
Martha A. Putnam, town history,	6 00

Rec'd from Mrs. E. L. Hutchinson, town hall,	\$68 86
C. W. Edwards, sale old pipe,	1 25
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	1000 00
H. L. Emerson, rebate,	50 00
I. B. Curtis, 5-20 note No. 68,	500 00
Geo. E. Bales, collector,	905 00
 Total receipts,	 \$46,009 28

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By paid Cordelia Sheldon, note,	\$3 75
Geo. M. Hartshorn, note,	500 00
" "	1,000 00
" interest,	12 50
" "	12 50
" "	3 75
" "	7 50
" "	75
" "	75
" "	75
" note,	500 00
" interest,	9 00
" "	2 50
Candice K. Fleman, note,	1,000 00
" interest,	20 00
Helen P. Ramsey, note,	1,000 00
" interest,	20 00
" note,	1,000 00
" interest,	20 00
" "	11 67
" "	7 50
" "	7 50
A. A. Ramsey, interest,	100 00
Clara H. Blood, note,	300 00
" interest	8 45
" "	3 58
" "	3 58

Paid Stanley H. Abbot, interest,	\$2 10
Marcella Hatch, temporary note,	200 00
" interest,	4 58
" "	3 38
" "	3 38
A. J. & L. A. Smith, temporary note,	300 00
" interest,	6 88
Lenora A. Smith, "	68
" "	68
" "	68
" "	3 38
Martha E. Livermore, "	67
Mina A. Butler, temporary note,	425 00
" interest,	9 06
" "	3 21
Warren Jones, temporary note,	1,200 00
" interest,	7 30
" "	6 42
Miss A. J. Smith, "	68
" "	68
" "	3 38
Cordelia Sheldon, "	61
" "	61
E. H. Rollins & Son, bonds,	1,082 70
Miss Rose M. Center, interest,	1 05
Albert Beard, "	11 25
J. A. Tarbell, "	25 20
Geo. E. Bales, "	1 50
Geo. M. Hartshorn, "	1 00
H. K. Libby, note,	260 00
" interest,	6 24
Samuel J. Sheldon, "	15 00
" "	4 42
H. K. Libby, "	2 08

Paid John A. McGregor, note,	\$300 00
" interest,	9 55
L. W. Perham, "	12 00
Albert Carleton, "	20 00
John H. Berry, note,	300 00
" interest,	9 00
H. A. Whiting, "	100 00
S. J. Sheldon, note,	500 00
A. A. Ramsey, interest,	20 00
F. W. Clark, "	12 42
" note,	500 00
Emma C. Cram, interest,	20 00
A. A. Ramsey, part note,	1,600 00
J. A. Tarbell, note,	1,100 00
" note,	700 00
" interest,	33 00
" "	19 14
D. E. Proctor, adm. Phebe M. Lane, note,	1,000 00
" " interest,	20 00
" " note,	500 00
" " interest,	10 88
" " "	18 00
Frank C. Livingston, county tax,	2,746 20
A. A. Ramsey, Spaulding note,	3,400 00
" " interest,	40 58
J. A. Tarbell, note,	1,680 00
" interest,	24 78
A. A. Ramsey, "	100 00
" "	20 00
Albert Carleton, "	20 00
Sophia T. Sargent, note,	402 98
Charles Bales "	500 00
" "	3 83
Mary A. Spaulding, interest,	20 00

Paid State tax,	\$2,830 00
S. B. Center, temporary note,	500 00
" note,	500 00
" interest,	7 89
" note,	300 00
" interest,	12 50
" "	13 54
Miss Emma C. Cram, interest,	20 00
Henry Proctor, interest,	18 00
C. C. Spaulding, note,	750 00
" interest.	33 75
A. A. Ramsey, "	15 00
F. W. Clark, "	15 00
George M. Moulton, "	30 00
Mrs. Cordelia Sheldon, interest.	10 50
I. B. Curtis, temporary note,	800 00
" interest,	24 73
" "	12 00
Mrs. I. B. Carter, note,	300 00
" interest,	4 80
F. W. Lovejoy, note,	300 00
" interest,	4 80
Mrs. Emma F. Tarbell, note,	500 00
" interest,	8 33
H. K. Libby, interest,	7 50
Mrs. Kate Cooley, note,	300 00
" interest,	5 00
Bradley Tay, balance note,	175 00
" interest,	2 88
" "	5 94
Miss Rose M. Center, "	3 00
Stanley Abbot, "	4 50
F. W. Clark, note,	300 00
" interest,	5 27
Orders drawn by selectmen,	10,506 44

Paid Bond coupons,		\$648 00
Total expenditures,		43,886 56
By cash in treasury,		2,122 72
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Total credits,		\$46,009 28

Demands against the Town.

Town Note.

Emma C. Cram, note dated July 1, '93,	\$1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97	5 00

Town House Notes.

Abram A. Ramsey, note dated April 1, '90	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97	15 00
note dated April 1, '90	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00
note dated April 1, '90,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00
note dated April 1, '90,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00
note dated April 1, '90,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00
note dated April 1, '90,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00
note dated April 1, '90,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00
note dated April 1, '90,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 00

Temporary.

Albert Carleton, note dated Mar. 24, '94,	1,000 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	15 66
Henry F. Matthews, note dated May 4, '95,	700 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	37 41
L. W. Perham, noted May 17, '95,	400 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	20 24
Albert Carleton, note dated July 1, '95,	1,200 00
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	22 50
Charles Tarbell, note dated July 5, '95,	400 00

	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	\$19 37	\$419 37
Levi W. Mitchell, note dated Aug. 21, '95,	250 00		
Int to Feb. 15, '97,	11 14	261 14	
Cordelia Sheldon, 5-20 Note No. 1,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501 88	
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 Note No. 2,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501 88	
5-20 Note No. 2,	1,000 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	3 75	1,003 75	
5-20 Note No. 4,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38	
5-20 Note No. 5,	100 00		
Int to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38	
5-20 Note No. 6,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38	
Albert Beard, 5-20 Note No. 7,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38	
5-20 Note No. 8,	1,000 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	18 76	1,018 76	
H. Annabelle Proctor, 5-20 Note No. 9,	500 00		
Int to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501 88	
Henry Proctor, 5-20 Note No. 10,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501 88	
5-20 Note No. 11,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38	
5-20 Note No. 12,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38	
Helen P. Ramsey, 5-20 Note No. 13,	1,000 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	18 75	1,018 75	
5-20 Note No. 14,	1,000 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	3 75	1,003 75	
Clara H. Blood, 5-20 Note No. 15,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38	

Clara H. Blood,	5-20 Note No. 16,	\$500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	\$509 38
Stanley H. Abbot,	5-20 Note No. 17,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38
"	5-20 Note No. 18,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38
"	5-20 Note No. 19,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100 38
Marcella Hatch,	5-20 Note No. 20,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38
"	5-20 Note No. 21,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38
A. Josephine Smith,	5-20 Note No. 22,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101 88
"	5-20 Note No. 23,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101 88
"	5-20 Note No. 24,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38
Lenora A. Smith,	5-20 Note No. 25,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101 88
"	5-20 Note No. 26,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101 88
"	5-20 Note No. 27,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101 88
"	5-20 Note No. 28,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38
Martha E. Livermore,	5-20 Note No. 29,	100 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101 88
M. A. Butler,	5-20 Note No. 30,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501 88
Warren Jones,	5-20 Note No. 31,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 38
Warren Jones,	5-20 Note No. 23,	500 00	
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509 00

Cordelia Sheldon, 5-20 Note No. 33,	\$100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	\$100	38
" 5-20 Note No. 34,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
Rose M. Center, 5-20 Note No. 35,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
Geo. E. Bales, 5-20 Note No. 36,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
" 5-20 Note No. 37,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
" 5-20 Note No. 38,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
Geo. M. Hartshorn, 5-20 Note No. 39,	100 60		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
" 5-20 Note No. 40,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
H. K. Libby, 5-20 Note No. 41,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501	88
Sam'l J. Sheldon, 5-20 Note No. 42,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509	38
" 5-20 Note No. 43,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509	38
Rose M. Center, 5-20 Note No. 44,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
F. W. Clark, 5-20 Note No. 45,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501	88
Hattie L. Clark, 5-20 Note No. 46,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501	88
Emma F. Tarbell, 5-20 Note No. 47,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
" 5-20 Note No. 48,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
" 5-20 Note No. 49,	100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88

Emma F. Tarbell,	5-20 Note No. 50,	\$100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	\$101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 51,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 52,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 53,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 54,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 55,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 56,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 57,	500 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509	38
"	5-20 Note No. 58,	500 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509	38
"	5-20 Note No. 59,	500 00		
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	9 38	509	38
Albert Beard,	5-20 Note No. 60,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
"	5-20 Note No. 61,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	101	88
C. C. Spalding,	5-20 Note No. 62,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
"	5-20 Note No. 63,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
"	5-20 Note No. 64,	500 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501	88
I. B. Curtis,	5-20 Note No. 65,	100 00		
"	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
"	5-20 Note No. 66,	100 00		
	Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38

I. B. Curtis, 5-20 Note No. 67,	\$100 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	38	100	38
" 5-20 Note No. 68,	500 00		
Int. to Feb. 15, '97,	1 88	501	88
1900 Bonds,	9,800 00		
Int. Feb. 15, 1897,	253 02		
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			\$42,486 35

Summary of Demands against the Town.

Bonds,	\$9,800 00		
Accrued Interest,	253 00		
Town House And Temporary Notes,	11,950 00		
Interest to Feb. 15, 1897,	234 02		
5-20 Notes,	20,000 00		
Interest to Feb. 15, 1897,	249 33		
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Total Demands against the town, Feb. 15, '97,			\$42,486 35

Summary of Treasurer's Account for Year Ending February 15, 1897.

Net Indebtedness, Feb. 15, 1896,	\$43,674 98		
Demands against the Town, Feb 15, '97, \$42,486 35			
Assets, Cash in treasury,	\$2,122 72		
Available Means,	200 00		
		—————	—————
Total Assets,	\$2,322 72	\$2,322 72	
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Net Debt Feb. 15, 1897,			\$40,163 63
		—————	—————
Net Decrease of Debt,			\$3,511 35

RICHARD M. MOORE, Town Treasurer

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing ac-

count of the Town Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897,
and find it correctly cast and properly vouchered.

A. A. RAMSEY,
GEORGE G. BLANCHARD, } Auditors.

THE SPALDING FUND.

Your trustees report that the above Fund is invested as follows:

Loan J. B. Whipple, Real Estate Mortgage,	
Int. 6% semi-annually, due from	
Aug. 27, '96,	\$5,000 00
Loan J. L. Barber, Real Estate Mortgage,	
Int. 6% semi-annually, due from	
Dec. 6, '96,	2,000 00
Loan Chas. E. Smith, Real Estate Mortgage,	
Int. 6% semi-annually, due from	
Sept. 25, '96,	3,000 00
	—————
	\$10,000 00

Income.

Interest, C. E. Smith,	\$180 00
" J. L. Barber,	120 00
" Town of Wilton,	140 58
" Frank Colony,	13 33
	—————
	\$453 91

Paid D. E. Proctor, District Treas.,

\$453 91

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WHITING,
A. A. RAMSEY,
D. E. PROCTOR, } Trustees.

WILTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

CHARLES H. BURNS, President,
 GEO. WHITING, Treasurer,
 GEO. G. BLANCHARD, Secretary, } Trustees.
 D. E. PROCTOR,
 GEO. E. BALES,

Miss M. A. PUTNAM, Librarian.

ACCESSIONS.

Number of volumes, Feb. 15, 1896,	\$3,850
Added by purchase,	133
" " gift,	34
" " exchange for Town History,	2
Bound periodicals,	26
Number of volumes, Feb 15, 1897,	4,045
Number of volumes included in Newell gift of	
Oct. 1, 1889,	1,000
" " volumes in gift Jan. 1, 1896, and	
" " purchased with interest of fund,	980
	1,980

CIRCULATION.

Days the library was open,	102
No. of volumes taken out,	6,512
" " periodicals taken out,	1,148
Average daily number,	75+

No. of cards issued to new patrons,	93
" " " " previously,	905
" " " " volumes covered during the year,	1,151

The following books have been given during the year.

Miss C. S. Draper,	1	E. A. Newell,	3
Levi Putnam,	1	Miss M. A. Putnam,	4
State of N. H.,	9	E. P. Wheeler,	1
G. F. Willey,	1	U. S. Govt.,	14

Periodicals.

Travellers Record,
Home Market Bulletin, } By the Publishers.

Youth's Friend,
Temperance Banner, } By the W. C. T. U.
Water Lily, }

GEO. G. BLANCHARD, Sec'y.

GEORGE WHITING, Treasurer,
In Account with Wilton Public Library.

DR.

Cash on hand, March 1, 1896,	\$3 63
Town appropriation,	300 00
Interest,	7 50
Ladies' Reading Club,	10 00
Fines,	22 50
Non-resident fees,	6 50
Sale of catalogues,	2 00
	—
	\$352 18

CR.

M. A. Putnam, salary,	\$150 00
“ supplies,	8 68
Estes & Lauriat, books,	48 31
W. B. Clark & Co., “	5 83
E. F. Holt, “	3 00
F. W. Farnsworth, magazines,	34 85
M. J. Herlihy, “	2 00
Rupublican Press Ass'n, binding,	6 02
Dumas & Co, binding,	9 35
H. L. Emerson, labor new shelves,	26 70
W. B. Hopkins, “	16 63
Emerson & Son, chairs,	4 00
D. Whiting & Sons, wood and express,	14 80
D. E. Proctor, supplies,	11 28
Myron Hutchinson, building fires,	5 75
Library Bureau, supplies,	1 80
W B. Rotch, printing,	1 75
	—————\$350 75
Balance on hand,	\$1 43

GEO. A. NEWELL FUND.

DR.

Cash from E. A. Newell,	\$3,000 00
Dividends on C. & M. R. R. Stock,	60 00
	—————\$3,060 00

CR.

18 shares C. & M. class 4 stock at \$1.70,	\$3,060 00
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GEO. A. NEWELL INCOME ACCT.

DR.

To Dividends on C & M. R. R. Stock,	\$66 00
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Cr.

Estes & Lauriat, books, \$66 00

GEORGE WHITING, Treasurer.

Approved, { D. E. Proctor,
 { Geo. E. Bales.

Engineers' Report Fire Department.

Engineers Report Fire Department for the year ending Feb 19th, 1897.

Feb. 18th, 1896. Fire in the dwelling house of John Merrill, caused by chimney burning out. Loss \$1,500. Insured \$1,800.

April 11th. Still alarm, incendiary, fire on "Joe" Albee's farm several acres burned over. Loss 1 coat, 1 pair of gloves, valued only for the good they had done.

June 22nd. Fire in Hillsboro' mills, Pine Valley, cause spontaneous combustion. Put out by automatic sprinkler.

June 30. Fire on the land of Charles Melendy, 500 or 600 cords of wood burned. Loss \$1,000 to \$1,200, accidental.

July 28. Accidental fire in house of Louis Defoe, occupied by Mrs. Quinn. Loss one bunch of matches.

Aug. 4th. False alarm, "defect in chimney" or in flue ; take your choice.

Jan. 13th. Fire in Wilton Bakery caused by oil stove getting "full." Damage \$15.00. No insurance paid.

But for the enterprise of private citizens in constructing resevoirs no water could have been had at the Merrill fire and more property would have been destroyed. We have looked the ground over for a water supply and find an abundance at the Stockwell brook and at the falls, and recommend an appropriation of \$200 for a survey.

JOHN GAGE,
GEO. G. TOLFORD,
M. P. STANTON, } Board
{} of
{} Engineers.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Wilton,

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence at time of Marriage.	Age	Occupation.
Jan. 1	Octave Aubin, Melvina Sinenan.	Wilton	28	Mill Operative
		"	29	"
" 6	Oliver Pellerin, Georgianna Young.	"	30	"
		"	18	"
" 15	David L. Cunningham, Agnes E. O'Donnell.	Ashuelot	28	Weaver
		Wilton	18	Mill Oper.
Feb. 22	James Barron, Mary H. Wilkinson.	"	31	Baker
		"	33	Housework
Mar. 8	John Olson, Hannah Anderson.	"	37	Farmer
		"	32	Housekeeper
Apr. 29	Lewis H. Baldwin, Melvillena L. Holt.	"	22	Clerk
		"	23	Housekeeper
" 29	John F. Herlihy, Theresa Kendall.	"	29	Carpenter
		Milton, Mass.	24	Milliner
May 1	Albert Dechamp, Josephine Fortier.	Wilton	28	Laborer
		"	26	Mill Oper.
" 20	Wiliam H. Emerson, Lizzie M. Clark.	"	25	Merchant
		"	22	
" 23	Charles H. Williams, Grace Harrington.	Boston, Mass.	23	Actor
		"	21	Actress
June 3	Alex Derosea, Alphonsin Lebel.	Wilton	25	Mill Oper.
		"	27	"
" 11	George G. Blanchard, Fanny Whiting.	"	29	Book-keeper
		"	27	
Sept. 20	Alfred L. Young, Alvina Pellerin.	"	20	Teaming
		Dublin	25	Dressmaker
Oct. 27	Jean Baptiste Chartier, Marie Clara Massicotte.	Wilton	27	Merchant
		"	27	
Dec. 23	Edmund C. Chute, Mary E. Mellen.	"	22	Carpenter
		"	26	Housework

N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Birthplace.	Name of Father.	Name of Mother.	Occupation.	By Whom Married.
Canada	Bartholemew	Elizabeth		P. L. McEvoy, Priest, Wilton.
"	Henry	Hattie		
"	Dennis	Georgianna		P. L. McEvoy, Priest, Wilton.
Wilton	Alfred	Louise		
Ashuelot	Patrick	Alice		P. L. McEvoy, Priest, Wilton.
Wilton	John	Ellen		
England	John	Ann		Chas. H. Dutton Clerg. Wilton.
"				
Sweden	Ola	Celia		P. E. Burg, Clerg. Worcester, M.
"	Andros	Ingar		
Wilton	John	Louise		J. C. Mitchell, Clerg. Wilton.
Milford	John	Emily		
Wilton	John	Catherine		Wm H Fitzpatrick Priest, Boston, M.
Isle of Alderny	James	Theresa		
Canada	John	Susie		P. L. McEvoy, Priest, Wilton.
U. S.	Joseph	Gertrude		
Wilton,	Henry	Abbie		J. C. Mitchell, Clerg. Wilton.
"	Aaron	Abbie		
Boston, Mass.	Charles	Charlotte		J. C. Mitchell, Clerg. Wilton.
Marlborough, M				
Canada	Mitchel	Mary		P. L. McEvoy, Priest, Wilton.
"	Negaile	Mary		
Lyndeborough	Asa	Mary		J. C. Mitchell, Clerg. Wilton.
Wilton	Harvey A.	Mary		
"	Alfred	Louise		Patrick J. Scott Priest, Jaffrey.
Canada	Dennis	Georgianna		
"	Irenee	Diana		P. L. McEvoy, Priest. Wilton.
"	Narcisse	Emerance		
Nova Scotia	James	Helen		H. F. Quimby, Clerg. Milford.
Hillsboro Br.	George	Amanda		

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. WARREN E. FOSTER, Town Clerk.

Births registered in the Town of Wilton,

Date	Name of Child	Sex	No. Child	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of
					Mother.
Jan. 7	McDonald	F	9	Octavie McDonald	Mary Clancey
" 13	Joseph Brunelle	M	1	Joseph Brunelle	Mamie Dufault
" 15	May Farnum	F	1	Chester E. Farnum	Minnie A. McCarthy
" 16	Brown	F	5	Wm. J. Brown	Alice Smith
Feb. 8	Sylvester	F	1	George Sylvester	Emma Gregoire
" 9	Marie Lord	F	3	Joseph E. Lord	Georgianna Levasseur
" 14	Launcelot Rob'ins	M	2	Charles E. Robbins	Susie L. Beale
" 16	Cornelius Weeks	M	3	Robert A. Weeks	Lulu Birch
" 21	John Fitzgerald	M	1	Edw. P. Fitzgerald	Emma Smidth
Mar. 16	Maurice Varley	M	12	John Varley	Mary A. Bresinham
" 19	Mildred A. Gove	F	3	Alouzo J. Gove	Sarah Clark
" 22	Morin	F	2	Joseph Morin	Bellamise Longtemp
" 25	Chas. Gregoire	M	7	Antime Gregoire	Marie G. Lajoie
" 28	Tolford	F	3	Geo. G. Tolford	Emma Flynn
Apr. 15	George B. Dicey	M	6	Wm. J. Dicey	Mabel A. Folsom
" 22	Arthur Doherty	M	3	John J. Doherty	Mary Agnes Keeley
May 5	McGuire	M	7	John McGuire	Mary Shea
" 14	Grace Chandler	F	4	Geo. P. Chandler	Etta J. Curtis
June 11	Marion L. Howe	F	1	Fred B. Howe	Mary E. Proctor
" 12	Kimball	M	10	John F. Kimball	Alice Lary
" 16	Manning Purdy	M	3	Edmund M. Purdy	Marion L. A. Whitney
July 10	Adams	M	2	Horace A. Adams	Isabella Allan
" 12	Ray W. Perham	M	3	Fred W. Perham	Edith Richardson
" 13	Adalena Burbie	F	5	Joseph Burbee, Jr.	Jennie Bresord
" 15	Russell	M	1	Charles C. Russell	Carrie M. Marden
" 23	Marie Pellerin	F	3	Stanislas Pellerin	Rebecca Gagni
" 25	Burke	M	4	John R. Burke	Bertha J. Raymond
" 27	Alice E. Frye	F	2	Chas. E. Frye	Bertha E. Osborne
Aug. 10	Oscar Rich'ds'n	M	8	Wm. E. Richardson	Minnie J. Duncklee
" 11	Blanchette	F	8	Alexander Blanchette	Lea Levesque
" 20	Thompson	F	4	Archie Thompson	Katherine Currie
" 20	May L E Blair	F	4	Joseph Blair	Marie Courcier
" 30	Marie Johnston	F	4	Joseph B. Johnson	Bertha Lapointe
" 31	Duval	M	4	Fred W. Duval	Chloe Gregoire
Sept. 12	Shea	M	3	Michael J. Shea	Bridget Brennan
" 27	Josephine Olson	F	1	John Olson	Hannah Anderson
Oct. 1	Draper	F	6	Dustin Draper	Catherine J. Smith
" 7	Pellerin	M	1	Oliver Pellerin	Georgianna Young
" 10	Finley	M	1	Wilfred Doherty	Jessie Finley
" 11	Act'eL'M'nteg'e	M	7	Fred LeMontegue	Lucy Moran
" 22	Albert LeVoea	M	2	Charles LeVoea	Annie Oneolette
" 26	Batchelder	F	6	Geo. M. Batchelder	A. Isabelle Kimball
Nov. 10	Leo. McCaffrey	M	3	Michael M. McCaffrey	Maggie Grady
" 11	Eva A. Taylor	F	1	Geo. H. Taylor	Adeline Doucette

N. H., for the year ending December, 31, 1896.

Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father	Age of Mother
Laborer	Canada	Canada	48	39
Weaver	"	Lowell, Mass.	19	16
Dentist		Wilton	35	18
Laborer	Ossipee	New London	29	28
"	Wilton	Conn	26	25
Weaver	Canada	Canada	32	32
Carpenter	Francestown	England	36	28
Mill Operative	Franklin	N Shapleigh Me.	28	23
"	Swansea	Germany	31	24
Fireman	Milford	Milford	36	40
Laborer	Alexandria	Lyndeboro	37	37
"	Canada	Canada	48	41
Weaver	"	"	37	35
Meat merchant	Bedford	Jersey City, N. J.	35	32
Laborer	Grafton	Alexandria	34	30
"	Wilton	Wilton	30	29
"	Lowell, Mass.	"	28	26
Railroading	Wilton	Lyndeborough	34	30
Mill hand	Bolton, Mass.	Wilton	28	23
Farming	Amesbury, Mass.	Bridgewater, Mass.	39	39
Butter maker	Bear River, N. S.	Fitchburg, M.	30	28
Laborer	Enfield	Brooklyn, N. Y.	29	31
"	Wilton	Francestown	34	29
Grocer	Canada	Brandon, Vt.	33	28
Painter	Brookline	Portsmouth	30	28
Mill hand	Canada	Canada	30	19
Farmer	Lancaster, Mass.	Lyndeborough	30	28
Laborer	Wilton	Palmira, Me.	35	22
"	Swampscott, Mass.	New Boston	34	30
"	Canada	Canada	39	38
"	Scotland	Scotland	27	26
"	Canada	Canada	28	22
Dresser	"	"	29	29
Cabinet Maker	Milford	"	28	28
Laborer	Wilton	Ireland	28	31
Farmer	Sweden	Sweden	38	32
Laborer	Greenfield	New Brunswick	41	34
"	Canada	Wilton	31	19
"		Scotland	24	
"	Canada	Canada	35	28
Farming	Wilton	"	26	28
Mill Operative	Woonsocket, R. I.	Wilton	36	35
Laborer	Oxford, Mass.	Palmer, Mass.	26	28
		Greenville	20	20

Deaths registered in the Town of Wilton,

Date	Name of Deceased	Age			Place of Birth.	Sex	Condition	Occupation
		Years	Mos.	Days				
Jan. 11	Armeny S. Pellerin	2	4		Ashuelot	M	S	
" 12	Harvey F. Frye	81	5	27	Athens, Vt.	"	M	Farmer
Feb. 8	Sylvester				Wilton	F	S	
" 19	Lydia P. Goldsmith	82	5	17	"	"	W	
Mar. 27	Phebe M. Lane	66			"	"	"	Housekeepr
" 28	Tolford				"	"	S	
" 28	Charles E. Gregoire		3		"	M	"	
Apr. 2	Charles Tarbell	62	6	21	Mason	"	M	Farmer
" 17	Lucy W. Flint	81	11		Bosworth, Ct.	F	W	
" 26	Ida Defoe		1	4	Wilton	"	S	
May 5	Michael Kennedy	63			Ireland	M	M	
" 6	Warner Clark	84			Francestown	"	"	Mechanic
June 5	Lorenzo Quade	65			Hollis	"	"	Fr. Agent
" 23	Myrtie F. Holt	22				F	S	Teacher
" 29	Mary Balcom	30	14		Munsonville	"	M	Housekeepr
July 23	James C. Cunningham	1	1		Ashuelot	M	S	
Aug. 11	Blanchette				Wilton	F	"	
" 20	Thompson				"	"	"	
" 23	Abiel Abbot	88			"	M	"	Teacher
Oct. 25	Sarah Carkin	90			"	F	W	Housekeepr
" 27	Mary E. Hutchinson	63	4	10	Mont Vernon	"	M	"
Nov. 3	Sarah J. Martin	76	5	15	Goffstown	"	"	"
" 5	Angeline E. Raymond	75	11	24		"	"	"
" 7	Mary J. Kidder	57	4		Lyndeboro	"	"	"
" 25	Lawrence Ford	75			Ireland	M	"	Laborer
" 28	Isaac N. Hutchinson	52	6	12	Milford	"	"	"

N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1896.

Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Canada Wilton	Canada Athens, Vt.	Stanilas Pellerin Joshua Frye	Rebecca Gagni Lois Farrington
" "	Conn.	Geo. Sylvester Caleb Putnam	Emma Gregoire Langley
Milford	Wilton	Benj. Hopkins	Peggy Hutchinson
Bedford	Jersey City, N. J.	Geo. G. Tolford	Emma Flynn
Canada	Canada	Antime Gregoire	Marie G. Lajoire
Mason	Jaffrey	Joel Tarbell	Mary Mansfield
Hanover	Ct.	Otis Freeman	Mary Burnett
Vermont	Canada	Napoleon Defoe	Mary Bresord
Ireland	Ireland	John Kennedy	Ellen McCarthy
New Boston	Hollis	Daniel Clark	Sarah Boynton
Wilton	Temple	Samuel Quade	Emily Pierce
Canada	Canada	Henry Holt	Parmelie Morin
Ashuelot	Wilton	Joseph Gregoire	Agnes O'Donnell
Canada	Canada	David Cunningham	Lea Levesque
Scotland	Scotland	Alex. Blanchette	Catherine Currie
Wilton	Coventry, Ct.	Archie Thompson	Rebecca Hall
Goffstown	Topsfield	Ezra Abbot	Ruth Stiles
Westford, Mass.	New Boston	Jas. Hutchinson	Azenith Butterick
Lyndeborough	Ireland	Jesse A. Robinson	Sarah Perkins
Ireland	Milford	Thos. B. Kidder	Wheeler
Milford		Wm. Raymond	Betsey E. Rand
		Benj. Dutton	Louise Moore
		Freem'n Hutchinson	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. WARREN E. FORTER, Town Clerk.

Deaths in Wilton-1896.

Jan. 11. Armeny S. Pellerin, aged 2 years, 4 months.
 12. Harvey F. Frye, aged 81 years, 5 months, 27 days.

Feb. 8. Infant child of George Sylvester.
 7. Frank K. Wheeler, aged 38 years, 10 months, 28 days.
 Died in New Boston.

19. Lydia P. Goldsmith, aged 82 years, 5 months, 17 days.

Mar. 9. Cyrus Jaquith, aged 80 years, 6 months. Died in Lowell.
 27. Phebe M. Lane, aged 66 years, 4 months.
 28. Charles E. Gregoire, aged 2 days.
 28. Infant child of G. Tolford.
 26. H. E. Martin, aged 52 years, 8 months. Died in Malden.

Apr. 2. Charles Tarbell, aged 62 years, 6 months, 21 days.
 14. Dorcus Peabody, aged 86 years. Died in Milford.
 17. Lucy W. Flint, aged 81 years, 11 months.
 26. Ida Defoe, aged 1 year, 4 months.

May 5. Micheal Kennedy, aged 63 years.
 6. Warner Clark, aged 84 years. Buried in Francestown.

June 5. Lorenzo Quaid, aged 65. Buried in Hollis.
 23. Myrtie F. Holt, aged 22 years, 11 months, 11 days.
 29. Mary G. Balcom, aged 30 years, 1 month, 14 days.

July 23. James C. Cunningham, aged 6 months.

Aug. 11. Infant child of Blanchette.
 21. Infant child of Archie Thompson.
 23. Abiel Abbot, aged 88 years.
 26. Lulie Burns, aged 35 years. Died in Somerville.

Sep. 8. Mary Ann Hopkins, aged 70 years 6 months., 26 days,
 Died in New Ipswich.

Oct. 7. Katie Connor, aged 35 years. Died in Nashua.
25. Sarah H. Carkin, aged 90 years, 1 month, 2 days.
27. Mary E. Hutchinson, 63 years, 4 months, 10 days.
Nov. 3. Sarah J. Martin, aged 76 years, 5 months, 15 days.
5. Elizabeth A. Raymond, aged 76 years.
7. Mary J. Kidder, aged 57 years, 4 months.
28. Isaac N. Hutchinson, aged 52 years, 6 mos., 12 days.
Dec. 27. Mary E. Foley, aged 2 years, 5 months. Died in
Milford.

W. H. BARNES, SEXTON.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education present this report of their stewardship to the town of Wilton, for the school year of 1896-7.

At the annual meeting in March, 1896, D. E. Proctor was chosen a member of the Board for three years which was subsequently organized by the choice of Miss Martha A. Putnam as secretary, and D. E. Proctor as chairman and treasurer. On April 1, Mr. Harlow, who had served the town so acceptably for several years, having changed his residence, resigned, and Mr. H. L. Emerson was appointed to serve until the next annual meeting.

The work having been so well performed by our predecessors made it much easier for the incoming board than it otherwise would have been had the conditions been different.

At the best a position on the Board is no sinecure; whatever is done will be more or less criticised. It is right that it should be. But would it not be much better for our schools if it were done in a manner to build up and improve rather than tear down and destroy? Neither the Board, nor the teachers, claim to have arrived at perfection, but rather far from it, as they contemplate how little any one knows compared with what there is to be learned

as to the best methods of instruction. What were considered only a few years ago as the best is now being fast relegated to oblivion.

The greatest minds, men who have given their lives to the study of the best methods are not agreed, and consider it the greatest problem of the ages to come as it has been in the ages past, how best to instruct the young so that they may be the most fully equipped to attain the greatest results from their talents in life; this being so it can hardly be expected that a man can be taken from his treadmill of life, placed upon the Board and be suddenly endowed with the wisdom of the ages, and so it seems that it would be good policy for us to adopt the law passed by our N. H. legislature, March 19, 1895, allowing a superintendent of schools for several towns, grouped together for that purpose, and to be paid a salary sufficient to secure an able man who could give his whole time, talents, and energies to the work.

We feel that all our teachers have endeavored to do their duty carefully and conscientiously, and having given years of hard and patient study to prepare themselves for their work are certainly entitled to our cordial support and encouragement. Results may not be apparent now, teachers may think their work is in vain, but in the years to come some idea may have been planted that will be of incalculable benefit to the man who may date his first inspiration from the word fitly spoken in the little country school.

The teachers' harvest is in the beyond, so let your criticisms be friendly; if you have a suggestion to make, they

will thankfully receive it, if a correction to make none will be more ready to consider it. What we need is co-operation. Parents and teachers all working together for the best interest of our children, to build them up, inspire in them the principles of true manhood and pure womanhood. There is no calling fraught with higher responsibilities than that of the teacher, and to assist her to do her work the best she should have the earnest support and sympathy of every parent.

The school buildings outside the village will be in very fair condition after having some needed repairs, such as shingling, paint, and paper. New desks have been put in the Kimball school, and enough to complete the outfit in the new school house. A book cupboard has been put in the book room and also one into the laboratory for the safe keeping of the apparatus.

We have also placed three chemical fire extinguishers one on each floor.

By an entertainment \$95.37 was raised for the purchase of a piano for the use of the schools, and one was bought for \$106, leaving a balance of \$10.63 which we feel justified, in view of the benefits received, in charging to the expense account of the district. The heating of the building seems to be a decided success, for in the coldest days the rooms were well warmed, when schools in Nashua were dismissed because they could not be heated so as to be comfortable for the scholars.

In accordance with the vote of the district the old school houses in former districts Nos. 4 and 10 were sold at auction April 25, 1896, and the proceeds paid to the town treasurer with the exception of \$116.99, being an

account left over from the building of the new school house, and which should have been included in its construction account.

The selectmen had no appropriation to pay it. The Board felt that it ought not to be paid out of the school appropriation and as a compromise it was decided by the selectmen and the Board that so much of the old house should be put into the new building as would pay the balance due upon these desks. We trust this disposition of the case will meet with your approbation.

Mr. L. H. Blood was employed to take the census of the children of school age. He reported boys, 129; girls, 148. Total 277. While the teachers' registers show a total of 303, which is accounted for in part that twenty of the latter are over the school age. We do not guarantee the perfect accuracy of the following table because several of the schools are now in session, and also from the fact that the school year for which the teachers' registers are prepared, begins at the fall term, while the financial school year begins in the spring, and it is also difficult to get an accurate average of each school for the year on account of the various changes from one school to another. We think however it will approximate very nearly to the facts.

SCHOOLS.		Whole Number.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Attendance.	Terms.	Weeks.
School	Students						
High	- - - - -	33	16	17	28	3	36
Grammar	- - - - -	34	14	20	32	3	35
Intermediate	- - - - -	46	19	27	43	3	33
2nd Primary	- - - - -	53	27	26	46	3	33
1st Primary	- - - - -	51	25	26	40	3	33
Abbot Hill	- - - - -	17	11	6	15	3	30
Centre	- - - - -	15	8	7	12	3	30
Davisville	- - - - -	17	9	8	15	3	30
Intervale	- - - - -	22	11	11	19	3	30
Kimball	- - - - -	8	5	3	6	3	30
West	- - - - -	7	2	5	6	2	20
		303	147	156	262	32	340

Last year \$4,500, together with the literary fund was appropriated for our schools. While fully appreciating your liberality, we feel we ought to have \$5,000 with the literary fund for the ensuing year. Several years past in order to get through the year and make a fair showing, bills have been put over and paid from the new appropriation. Keep square seems to be a good motto.

The thanks of the teachers and the Board are extended to all who have given a helping hand by their assistance and presence at the entertainments and graduating exercises of our schools, and for the interest they have shown in the work of education.

We wish all parents could fully realize the full force of the reply of one of our little primary girls when her teacher asked, "How can we make our school room more pleasant?" "By asking our mothers to come in." So

visit your schools. Keep in close sympathy with both teachers and scholars. With your aid they must prosper, without it we leave for you to infer.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. PROCTOR, CHAIRMAN.

TEACHERS.

High, year, Elvira Morrill.
 High, Asst. year, Grace B. Carr.
 Grammar, year, Bessie F. Moore.
 Intermediate, 1st term, Josie W. Preston.
 Intermediate, 2nd and 3rd terms, Grace E. Putnam.
 2nd Primary, 1st and 2nd terms, Etta N. Ring.
 2nd Primary, 3rd term, Nellie Brown.
 1st Primary, year, Bertha L. Blood.
 Abbot Hill, 1st term, Kate G. Donovan.
 Abbot Hill, 2nd term, May H. Copeland.
 Abbot Hill, 3rd term, Grace May Howard.
 Center, 1st term, Myrtie F. Holt.
 Center, 1st term, Grace A. Knowlton.
 Center, 2nd and 3rd term, Carita E. Trevitt.
 Davisville, year, Marion M. Hartshorn.
 Intervale, 1st term, Nellie I. Murr.
 Intervale, 2nd term, Bessie S. Hayward.
 Intervale, 3rd term, Rev. F. C. Wright.
 Kimball, 1st term, Carita E. Trevitt.
 Kimball, 2nd and 3rd term, Mary P. Gutterson.
 West, 1st term, Nellie L. Frye.
 West, 2nd term, Nettie E. Lynch.

Roll of Perfect Attendance.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Three Terms Abiel A. Livermore, Hattie L. Putnam.

Harry B. Trevitt.

Two Terms.

W. S. Bullard, Jeremias S. Buckley, Alice M. Carleton, Louise G. Colony, Fred M. Hatch, Myron J. Hutchinson, George F. McCarthy, Clara V. Purdy, Ethel L. Mitchell, Edith M. Stiles, Annabel Stiles, Myrta L. Sumner.

One Term.

Eva D. Brothers, Eva M. Bugbee, Nellie M. Bugbee, Hannah E. Brennan, Grace L. Heath, Arthur A. Moore, L. Mark Langdell, Chester W. Moore, Henry P. Proctor, Robert E. Ryan, William R. Stearns, Leon Tebbetts, Lotta T. Trevitt, Mamie E. Varley.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Three Terms.

Fred W. Proctor, John J. Stanton.

Two Terms.

Walter B. Ayers, Grace J. Driscoll, Mary E. Driscoll, George H. Frye, Dwight W. Mitchell, John C. Mitchell, Lucie G. Stiles, Eva C. Swallow, Mary I. Whalen.

One Term.

Harold C. Bales, Hannah E. Brennan, Lorenzo C. Carr, Louise G. Colony, Helen J. Dicey, Grace E. Gove, Walter R. Hatch, Lydia E. Hatch, Anna Keville, Minnie A. Killkelley, Anna J. Proctor, Alice E. Riney, John F. Stanton, William L. Stanton, Annabel Stiles, Lillian W. Trevitt, Alfred Wells.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Three Terms. Elmer Driscoll, Katie Driscoll, Julia Brennan.

Two Terms. Grace Cooley.

One Term. Alfred Blanchette, Lizzie Brennan, Mary Brennan, Alice Cooley, Louise Defoe, Charles Gove, Effie Hartshorn, Joe Hatch, Mary McKeenam, Jennie Moquin, Lillian Shea, Harry Smith, Joseph Sullivan, Mamie Welters, Katie Whalen.

SECOND PRIMARY.

Three Terms. Karl Farnum, Annie Whalen.

Two Terms. Thomas Landers, Edith Richardson.

One Term. Charles Avery, Louis Avery, Albert Ayers, Lizzie Brennan, Hannah Brennan, Ernest Blood, Thomas Buckley, Arthur Defoe, Guy Draper, Jerome English, Joe Hatch, Timothy Foley, John Hatch, Florence Hatch, Christine Higgins, Delia Killkelley, Thomas Landers, Edwin Landers, Ellen Murry, Joseph McCaffrey, Jennie Moquin, Maude Richardson, Harry Smith, Ambrose Shea, Chester Smith, Honor Stanton, Sarah Shalou, Mamie Welters.

FIRST PRIMARY.

Three Terms. Carl Lawrence.

Two Terms.

James Brennan.

One Term.

David Balcom, Alice Desilets, Willie Duval, Bernice Gove, Eddie Killkelley, Eddie Moquin, Rose Shalou, Nettie Whalen, Maggie Varley.

ABBOT HILL SCHOOL.

Three Terms.

Emma Wolf.

Two Terms.

Florence W. Mitchell, Charles A. G. Brown, Fanny B. Sheldon, Charles Sheldon.

One Term.

Elmer Boynton, Philip Gage, Nellie Sheldon, William A. Sheldon, Edgar W. Townsend.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Two Terms.

Milledge M. Purdy.

One Term.

Minot G. Buss, Edith Frye, Everett T. Hutchinson, Harry R. Greenleaf, Luther M. Langdell, Olive B. Livermore, Ernest A. Wright.

DAVISVILLE SCHOOL.

Two Terms.

Charles H. Buttrick, Mabel F. Buttrick, Edward J. Goss.

One Term.

Edith Bullfinch, Clarence W. Goss.

INTERVALE SCHOOL.

Three Terms.

Effie L. Nickerson, Jessie J. Nickerson, Le-

roy G. Tuttle.

Two Terms. Ernest F. Blanchard, Mabel French, Frank G. Gray, Eva H. Putnam, Mary I. Putnam, Victor J. Tuttle.

One Term. Perley W. Dodge, Edgar Dubec, Harry Nickerson, Dora M. Tuttle, Ira A. Whitney.

KIMBALL SCHOOL.

Three Terms. Erland Batchelder, Daniel Batchelder.

Two Terms. John Batchelder.

WEST SCHOOL.

One Term. Ethel V. Frye, Mabel C. Frye.

Report sales school property, April 25, 1896.

DR.

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Sold to I. O. O. F., \$730.00

Shed sold to Charles E.

Robbins, 7.50

PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING.

Sold to Joel H. Perham, 500.00

SCHOOL BUILDING, DIST. 10. 46.00

2 Flag Poles, 1.00

\$1,284.50

CR.

Paid Moses Clark, Auctioneer,	\$6.00
George E. Bales, Attorney,	8.62
John H. Abbot, Surveyor,	20.00
Labor and auction posters,	6.25
U. S. School Fur. Co.,	116.99
R. M. Moore, Town Treas.,	1,126.64

	\$1,284.50

Treasurer's Report.

OF

The Board of Education to the Town of Wilton for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897.

DR.

To cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1896,	\$212 53
Received from town treasurer,	4,731 00
Spalding fund,	453 91
Tuition,	49 05
Rebate insurance,	6 00
Books sold,	4 32
Stove sold,	2 00
Wood sold,	50
Fines,	25
	— \$5,459 56

CR.

For Instruction.

Paid Elvira Morrill,	\$471 66
Bertha L. Blood,	333 00
Bessie F. Moore,	300 50
Etta N. Ring,	234 00
Grace B. Carr,	212 00
Marion M. Hartshorn,	210 00
Carita E. Trevitt,	207 00

Paid Grace E. Putnam,	\$198 00
Josephine W. Preston,	135 00
May P. Gutterson,	120 00
Nellie I. Murr,	70 00
Kate G. Donovan,	70 00
Bessie I. Haywood,	70 00
May H. Copeland,	70 00
Rev. F. C. Wright,	70 00
Grace May Howard,	70 00
Nellie Brown,	68 00
Nellie. L. Frye,	60 00
Nettie E. Lynch,	60 00
Myrtie F. Holt,	35 00
Grace A. Knowlton,	31 80
Lucy L. Blanchard,	27 00

	\$3,122 96

Fuel and Preparing the Same.

Paid David Whiting & Sons,	\$408 15
John O. Donnel,	380 03
James E. Whitney,	24 00
Henry J. Russell,	22 50
Henry H. Livermore,	17 50
W. H. Abbot,	11 25
Geo. M. Batchelder,	10 25
W. A. Burton,	10 00

	\$883 68

Janitors.

Paid John S. McKay,	\$325 00
Schools outside the village,	44 02

	\$ 369 02

Books and Supplies.

Paid E. E. Babb & Co.,	\$107 23
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn,	89 83
Ziegler & Co.,	52 87
Ginn & Co.,	41 34
Silver, Burdette & Co.,	23 57
American Book Company,	9 60
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	5 40
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	4 50
W. I. Durgin & Co.,	4 15
Boston School Supply Co.,	3 60
J. L. Hammett,	3 00
W. H. Emerson,	3 00
T. H. Castor & Co.,	2 88
James P. Melzer,	2 50
Geo. A. Beals,	2 25
Education Publishing Co.,	2 10
D. C. Heath & Co.,	1 20
Daniels & Downs,	1 05
O. B. Hutchinson,	85

	\$360 92

Miscellaneous.

Paid A. A. Ramsey, insurance,	\$102 00
Geo. E. Bales, "	85 00
Knight & Thomas, fire extinguishers,	40 50
H. T. H. Frye, transportation,	30 00
C. H. Goss, "	25 00
L. H. Blood, enumeration,	9 25
American Express Co.,	6 00
Geo. E. Bales, attorney,	2 24
Oliver B. Hutchinson, express,	40

	\$300 39

Board of Education.

Paid Martha A. Putnam,	\$60 00
D. E. Proctor,	45 00
H. L. Emerson,	30 00

	\$135 00

Repairs and Supplies.

Paid Union Seating Co., desks,	\$95 50
H. L. Emerson, labor and supplies,	57 41
Lydia H. Whiting, cleaning school house,	13 00
D. Whiting & Sons, supplies,	12 10
Dennis Shea, labor,	9 50
Jerry Driscoll, lumber,	9 19
W. E. Foster, labor and supplies,	7 65
Howard & Co.,	7 40
Nathan Barker, labor and supplies,	6 10
H. A. Holt, " "	4 37
G. A. Worcester, repairing electrics,	4 00
W. H. Gray, labor and supplies,	3 75
Dallas Sumner, painting,	3 18
D. M. Potter, labor,	40

	\$233 55

Summary.

Paid for instruction,	\$3,122 96
Fuel and preparing the same,	883 68
Janitors,	369 02
Books and supplies,	360 92
Miscellaneous,	300 39
Repairs and supplies,	233 55
Board of education,	135 00

	\$5,405 52

Amount received,	\$5,459 56
paid,	5,405 52
Cash on hand,	<hr/> \$54 04

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. PROCTOR, TREAS.

We have examined the above account, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

A. A. RAMSEY,
GEO. G. BLANCHARD, } Auditors.



